

Our Daily Bread
Sliced Thin by The Editor
Alex. H. Washburn.

One Fireworks Fanatic Is Looking for Serious Trouble

HOPE POSTMASTER Robert M. Wilson is red hot. While the South celebrates Christmas with fireworks that most of the country restricts to the Fourth of July there are limits to a man's endurance — particularly if he happens to be custodian of federal property.

Last night someone dropped a lit firecracker in a small street letter-box at West Avenue D and North Hervey street, blew the bottom out of the box, and scattered Uncle Sam's mail in the street.

Bob Walker, local citizen, happened by shortly afterward, picked up the letters and Christmas cards, and came downtown to place them safely in the post office. But the office was closed for the night, so he took the mail to the police station.

This morning the mail was delivered to Uncle Sam all right—but an investigation goes with it.

For tearing up a government mailbox Mr. Stupid is flirting with the penitentiary — if they catch up with him. Everybody knows that. City police are investigating, and the matter will have to be reported to the postal inspectors. The charge: "Committing depredation of a mailbox."

This is the worst error in judgment in the fireworks business since the case, several years ago, when a local boy threw a firecracker in a passing automobile and caused a wreck.

We sometimes hear that juveniles pick up these ideas from going to the movies or reading comics and the pulp-paper magazines. But it simply isn't so in this case — for every lad who ever sat down front for the Saturday night blood-and-thunder knows that the first law of the Western road agent is: Don't monkey with the mails—unless you want to be hunted for the rest of your life.

Defense Plans in State Call for \$75,000

Little Rock Dec. 20 —(P) — The Arkansas civil defense advisory council yesterday recommended that permanent defense agency be set up in the state with an annual operating budget of \$75,000.

The suggested allotment is \$50,000 more than Governor McMath previously had said he would request from the 1951 legislature for a civilian defense department.

The council also suggested that McMath ask the legislature for a "standby" fund of \$500,000 which would be available in case of a crisis.

A third step was to call for a meeting of county judges and mayors next month to explain the urgency of local defense measures. No date for the meeting was set.

The council agreed that little could be done until operating funds are available.

Up to now only preliminary steps toward state civilian defense have been carried out through the state military department with Adjutant Gen. H. L. McAlister as director and Maj. Carl Martin as deputy.

Major Martin, who met with the council, termed "misinformed" persons who believe Arkansas is in no danger in case of war because of its distance from the coastline.

Prosecutor Deputies for 5 Counties

G. W. Lookadoo today announces his appointments for deputies as deputy prosecuting attorney for the five counties comprising the Eighth Judicial District, as follows:

Clark County—J. H. Lookadoo.

Nevada County—Randolph Hamby.

Hempstead County—Royce Weisberger.

Lafayette County—Jack Williamson.

Miller County—Thomas E. Weber.

Three of these appointees are now serving as deputy prosecuting attorney under James Pilkinton. Randolph Hamby, Nevada County; Royce Weisberger, Hempstead County and Jack Williamson, Lafayette County. G. W. Lookadoo served as deputy under Mr. Pilkinton until he resigned to run for prosecuting attorney.

Vesey Again to Be Referee in Probate

James H. Pilkinton, who will become judge of the Second Division of the Sixth Chancery District on January 1, 1951, announced today that he would appoint Mrs. Margy H. Young of Texarkana as his court reporter and stenographer.

He said also that he plans to reappoint John P. Vesey, Hope attorney, as Referee in Probate for Hempstead county. Mr. Vesey has been serving in that capacity appointment by Judge A. P. Steel.

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Voluntary Wage, Price Control First

By STERLING F. GREEN

Washington, Dec. 20 —(P) — The government today promised a voluntary wage ceiling formula "as soon as possible" to match the nationwide honor system price control newly put into effect for all industry.

The economic stabilization agency summoned into meeting here the management and union leaders of more than 1,000,000 auto workers for talks which may provide a clue to the coming wage restraints on all labor.

The agency meantime hoped for a wave of voluntary price rollbacks — mostly at the mill, mine and factory level — in accordance with its price-profits formula announced last night.

But if compliance does not come voluntarily, ESA's administrator Alan Valentine warned, compulsory price ceilings will be clamped on and the standards may be more rigorous" than those now set forth.

There was ample indication that ESA considers the voluntary formula a stop-gap. If it restrains in flatulation until March, the infant agency may be ready to enforce mandatory controls wherever needed.

Rowland Jones, Jr., president of the American Retail Federation, criticized the voluntary "freeze" announcement as "vague in some aspects" and said it raised "serious questions of theory and policy which must await further investigation and clarification."

If ESA had "ordered" a freeze, then cheating could be punished by a jail sentence.

Although ESA under law has the authority to "order" a freeze, it isn't in a position right now to order price controls nationwide.

It doesn't have a staff large enough to police prices over the whole country. Its staff numbers perhaps 150.

In World War II when OPA ordered price controls and policed them, it had 60,000 paid employees and 200,000 volunteer workers around the country.

Perhaps in a few months, maybe by March, ESA will have a staff large enough to permit it to issue a general price control order.

That's why last night ESA had to limit itself to asking businessmen everywhere to operate on a sort of "honor system."

It asked them not to raise prices any further and, if they have

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1950 Farm Crops in State Valued at 442 Million

Little Rock, Dec. 20 —(P) — Arkansas' principal farm crops this year have been officially valued at a total of \$442,000,000, an increase of 10 per cent over the 1949 value.

Agricultural statistician Miles McPeek said the increase is due altogether to higher prices.

In Arkansas 1950 production trailed that of 1949 by 13 per cent.

Cotton accounted for 57 per cent of the total crop value — \$251,000,000. Corn accounted for \$51,000,000; rice, \$42,000,000; hay, \$26,000,000, and truck crops, \$11,000,000.

Democracy Rally to Aid of Acheson

By JACK BELL

Washington, Dec. 20 —(P) — Secretary of State Acheson comes home from the Brussels conference today with congressional Democrats closing ranks behind him and many — but not all — Republicans still trying to push him out of the cabinet.

Acheson is expected to report soon to both houses on the agreements reached among the 12 Atlantic pact nations to build a 1,000,000-man defense force for Western Europe by the end of 1953.

He will be able to do so with the firm promise of President Truman that he is going to keep his job despite Republican demands for his ouster.

Mr. Truman told a news conference yesterday that Acheson has put "great talents" into the fight against communism, and that "communism — not our own country — would be served by losing him."

While congressional Democrats likewise came to Acheson's support, Republicans divided.

Senators Taft of Ohio, chairman of the GOP policy committee, and Wherry of Nebraska, the party floor leader, led a faction which declared there will be no unity on foreign policy so long as Acheson remains at the head of the state department.

This GOP group appeared to outnumber the other — including such senators as Saltonstall (R-Mass), the assistant floor leader, Morse of Oregon and Aiken of Vermont — which urged party members to accept the President's decision and get behind a bipartisan program.

Taft told reporters he is convinced that President Truman will achieve no national unity so long as Acheson remains.

"The Republicans have only reflected the views of our constituents in urging that Acheson be replaced," Taft said. "Of course, we can't fire him ourselves."

"But the President can't get national unity under Acheson's leadership. Mr. Truman can choose not to have that unity if he wants to."

Wherry said in a statement that the President "ignored the mandate" of the voters in November, when Republicans gained strength in both houses of congress.

That mandate was for Acheson's removal, Wherry said.

Duncan Coffee Co. Pays 32nd Xmas Bonus

Herschel M. Duncan, president of the Duncan Coffee company, today announced that for the 32nd consecutive year Christmas gift bonuses will again be distributed to all the wage and salary employees of the Duncan Coffee Company. The Christmas bonus is in addition to their regular service bonus plan whereby the employees receive every pay day during the entire year, a service bonus based on the number of years they have been employed by the Duncan Coffee company.

The old peasant looked impudently at the retreating backs of his fellow civilians. There was no criticism in his gaze. But he said: "I spent five months going down the road and back again. This time I will not go. I would rather stay. And if I must die I would rather die in my home where I have lived."

He shouldered his pack and moved on. As he left, the president looked at him with an expression of mingled pride, exultation — and maybe a bit of envy.

The pride and exultation were for the courage of the old peasant. President Rhee would like every Korean to prefer to die defending his clay home with a bamboo spear rather than give it up. And the envy in his face reflected the knowledge that the old peasant had a freer choice than he does.

For it is unlikely that if this city must be abandoned by the United Nations army President Rhee will be allowed to remain and be killed or taken prisoner by the Reds. It is unlikely that his advisers would let him. He has been too important a symbol of the goal of Korean independence for too many decades for them to allow that.

But Rhee would like to have the choice of the old simple peasant — and like him he wants to remain. "I have lived long enough," he said privately. And at 75 he wants what every man wants — to know victory or final defeat in his own lifetime. And therefore he would rather die here in his old age than become a refugee again from the land of his birth.

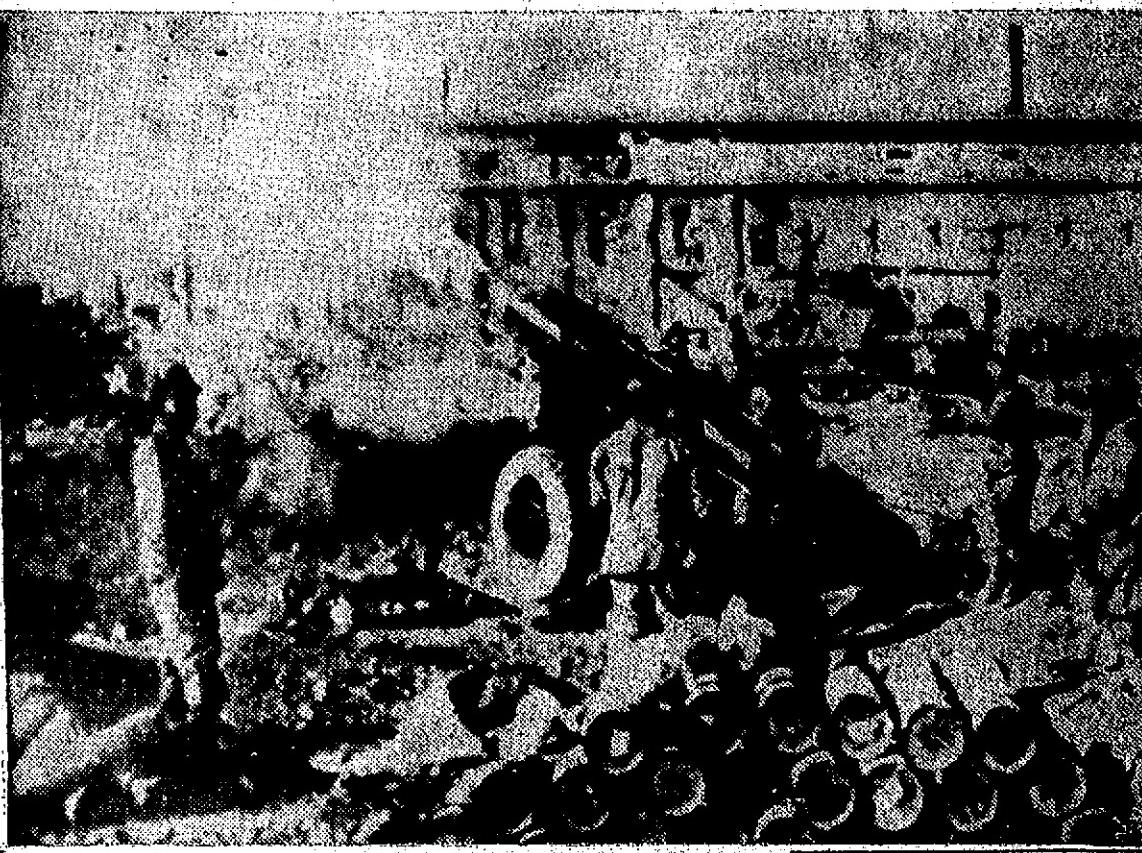
He spent the greater part of his adult lifetime in other countries fighting for the freedom of Korea. Now, like the only old peasant he doesn't want to walk that way again. He wants to get the last word in his own career, be it success or failure, in the place where it began — in his homeland.

Old Toys and Baby Clothes Gifts Go to Luck Motor Co.

The Lions club expressed thanks today for fine co-operation of the Hope public in donating old toys and asked that baby clothes be donated. All articles are to be given to Luck Motor company's office on South Walnut street.

McLarty Is Home After 3 Weeks at Campbell Clinic

Tom Mc Larty, manager of Hope Auto Company returned today from Memphis where he has been a patient in the Campbell Clinic for the past three weeks. He has been undergoing treatment for a knee injury.



TRAP CLOSES ON UN BEACHHEAD — At the beachhead perimeter, Hungnam, Korea, Tenth Corps artillerymen fire their 155mm howitzer at Communist troops who are attacking in force. (NEA RADIO-TELEPHOTO by ED HOFFMAN)

Transport of GIs to Europe Is Opposed

Washington, Dec. 20 —(P) — Opposition arose in congress today to any speedy transfer of additional American ground troops to Europe.

President Truman's announcement that more U.S. soldiers will be sent across the Atlantic as soon as possible brought demands from lawmakers for:

1. Detailed information on other nations' troop pledges to the new combined Western European defense forces; and

2. Assurances that the United States will not be stripped of military reserves at home.

Senators of both parties said Secretary of State Acheson and Secretary of the Army Pace will be called on by congressional committees to report on these points immediately after their return from the Brussels conference.

The 12 foreign ministers of the Atlantic pact nations have agreed to try to assemble under the command of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower a 1,000,000-man force by the end of 1953 to guard Western Europe against possible Soviet aggression.

President Truman told a news conference yesterday he will know today — but won't make the information public — how many American troops eventually will be involved.

There has been speculation that five to 10 or more divisions may be sent to Europe in addition to the approximately 100,000 men already ready there.

Senator George (D-Ga), a member of the foreign relations committee, told a reporter he thinks

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EISENHOWER ANNOUNCED AS SUPREME COMMANDER — It was a grim-faced General Dwight Eisenhower who faced the press at St. Louis, Mo., during a stopover enroute from Washington to Colorado. General Eisenhower has been named Supreme Commander of the Integrated European defense forces. (NEA Telephoto)

Atlantic Pact Nations Will Decide How Much Authority Is to Be Given Eisenhower

By ELTON C. FAY

AP Military Affairs Reporter Washington, Dec. 20 —(A) — How much authority will Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower have as supreme commander of the Western European defense force?

President Truman wrote Eisenhower last night that the North Atlantic treaty organization would continue to carry on their daily jobs under their present chiefs — Gen. Thomas T. Handy head of the army's command in Europe; Lt. Gen. Lauris Norstad, commander of American air forces in Europe; and Vice-Admiral R. B. Carney, commanding naval forces.

But there were some apparent or implied exceptions.

Although Mr. Truman specified Eisenhower's operational command would include U. S. air forces in Europe, this didn't appear to mean he would have control to the USAF's strategic air force except for what ever B-29 or B-50 groups of medium bombers might be operating at any one time from bases in Britain. (About three such medium bomber groups usually are in England on rotational training missions.)

Thus it seemed that control of the strategic air force, which some time ago was placed under the overall guidance of the joint chiefs of staff, would remain under that control. If, in event of war or for purposes of a show of strength, it was found necessary to send ultralong range B-36s to Europe, the decision would be made by the joint chiefs at Washington.

The first part shows a desert scene where the Wise men meet with discouragement by the desert Spirits.

The Second Part gives the 20th century parallel. The program has been directed by the Rev. and Mrs. S. Joseph Geno, and will air approximately 1½ hours of true Christmas spirit, enjoyment and worship.

Will Talk of Russia If She Means Peace

Brussels, Belgium, Dec. 20 — The big western powers have offered to send arms to Germany. Britain, France and the United States have accepted Russia's proposal for a conference on the unification of divided Germany.

The three western nations known to have stipulated, however, that the Russians must give up their atomic bomb before the conference can take place.

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Mobilization Plans to Be Speeded Up

Washington Dec. 20 —(P) — The house was ready to act on President Truman's bill for wider mobilization.

Just two days after the Senate had asked congress for a bill reviving features of the war powers act of 1941 to give him more power in dealing with the defense program.

It would give the President authority to:

1. Consolidate existing government departments and agencies, and to reshape personnel.

2. Modify, revise and enlarge production controls and defense supplier moving.

The house was expected to pass the bill without debate.

Senate Democrats, however, were concerned about the bill's impact on the economy.

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10-Day Leave for Air Corps Recruits

The United States Air Force has announced that it intends to build its forces up to 68 groups in 1951, and 84 groups one year later. This means an increase in personnel of 250,000 during the year ahead.

What this means to young men in this area was explained today by Sgt. Short, Army and Air Force Recruiter.

"Young men who volunteer for the U. S. Air Force can expect the best of training, and steady promotions," Sgt. Short said. The volunteers of today can most certainly expect to be the leaders in tomorrow's young, aggressive Air Force, and since it is a cinch that every qualified young man will be called upon to perform military service in this world crisis, each individual concerned should decide at once whether he would rather serve with the branch of service of his choice, or await other action.

Sgt. Short also said that his office has received temporary authority to place men on 10-day leaves after enlistment proceedings are finished. This will enable them to be at home Christmas if they desire.

The Army and Air Force Recruiting Station in Hope is located in room 102 of the City Hall building.

Mr. Meredith's own son, how HADACOL helped him

"I started taking HADACOL. I didn't have a bit of appetite. The food didn't appeal to me. I couldn't sleep either — I'd lay awake for hours. I was always tired. I was always sleepy. Then I took HADACOL. All my troubles had been being HADACOL. I can say the first few bottles I took definitely improved my appetite — I got plenty of sleep and am not the least bit tired. I think HADACOL is the only thing that would never do with itself."

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all over the country whose symptoms were "deficient" in Vitamin B12. Iron and Nicad and HADACOL has helped. HADACOL can help you, too, if you will give HADACOL a chance — it will free from stomach distress, nervous disturbances, in fact due to upset stomach, gas and pains, or a general low condition when they complain of deficiencies let me help you. It has helped all over the country remarkable HADACOL. Remember, you have to take HADACOL will you feel better after the first bottle you take, or you will be refunded. Only \$1.25 for size large. Family or individual size. If your druggist does not have HADACOL direct from The LeBlanc Corporation, Lafayette, Louisiana, or The LeBlanc Corporation, New York, N. Y.

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raised them since Dec. 1 without good reason set out by ESA, without to roll them back to what they were on Dec. 1.

Voluntary

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expressed doubt that a voluntary price freeze would do much good. They all are a Democrat, Chairman Maybank (SC) of the banking committee which helped write the act called in separate interviews for broad, compulsory wage-price controls now.

The call for a voluntary price freeze came as the cost-of-living index appeared heading for a new all-time high.

Latest figures by the U. S. Bureau of labor statistics showed wholesale prices for the week ending Dec. 12 were 10.2 per cent higher than just before the outbreak of fighting in Korea.

ESA people say that their staff, small as it is, is still large enough to handle an industry problem for while there may be a great many firms in an industry, they all more or less handle the same goods.

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He later published a book called "The Ghost Talks" in which he related some of his experiences behind the scenes that the great actors on the world stage. It was in these memoirs he told of his intimate acquaintance with F. D. R. He reported an anecdote dealing with the days when the administration was spending money fast and furiously this being new and novel at that time and before Harry Hopkins said

"Tax and tax spend and spend elect and elect!"

According to Michelson several members of the kitchen cabinet were sitting around talking about campaign plans. Finally F. D. R., spotting his spook sitting silently in the corner remarked

"Look at Charlie the Mike over there He's too singy to get his hair cut."

Without batting an eye he replied

"Well it's about time somebody around here thought of saying money."

Mr. Roosevelt dropped the tonal subject forthwith.

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"I'm through listening to him," I said. "If I hear any more of his talk I am liable to vote for Roosevelt."

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"Did you write it yourself?"

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By JOHN WHEELER:

What I Know About "Speaks"

It used to be in this country you could start in business with a few postage stamps envelopes letterheads a mimeograph machine and an idea. Nowadays since the New Deal came in and the dollar will hardly buy two firecrackers to rub together on the Fourth of July you need to get a loan from the RFC to launch a new enterprise and then another one later as you go along.

In 1913 we bought the stamps and the rest of the equipment and the rest of the equipment as ghost writers extrordinary. I don't know whether I was the first spook but I deserve to be near the top of the list. In my time I have done literary pinch hitting for ball players actors reporters who had overdone conviction and prize fighters.

When I was a boy candidates used to write their own speeches and this practice pretty well continued until Franklin Roosevelt became President when he changed the system as he switched the rules on some other matters while he was in office. He had several spooks who furnished the ammunition for his Groton accent and good ones too the two top boys being Robert Sherwood the playwright and old Charlie Michelson formerly head Washington correspondent for the New York World.

In fact the latter got the reputation of producing the speeches for all the leading Democrats. I asked him one day if he did.

"No," replied Charlie. "I only write the good speeches. When one of the boys lays an egg don't blame that one on me."

Their terms expire officially Dec. 31, but the court won't meet again until Jan. 1.

Leflar is dean of law at the University of Arkansas, and he'll resume that position on a full-time basis. Dunaway also will go to the university, where he's been appointed a law professor. He formerly was prosecuting attorney for Pulaski and Perry counties.

Both men were appointed by Governor McMath to fill unexpired terms.

They'll be succeeded by Chancellor Paul Ward of Batesville and Sam Robinson of Little Rock, who were nominated at last summer's Democratic primaries.

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SOCIETY

Phone 1268 or 1269 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Thursday, December 21
Brownie Troop No. 1, under the leadership of Mrs. Manuel Hamm, will have a Christmas party at the Little House at 6 p.m. Hostesses will be Carol Joy Case, Cheryl Dell Case, Suzanne Summerville, Nancy Trickey and Sherry Hankins.

The Emmet Garden Club will have a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Ramey Garland at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Tom Garland will be co-hostess.

The Friday Music Club will have a Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. at the Hope Country Club. Gifts will be exchanged. Members of the music club who are also members of the Country Club will be hostesses.

Mrs. M. M. McCloughan and Mrs. H. C. Whitworth will honor Miss Dorothy Henry with a kitchen shower at 3 p.m.

Miss Dorothy Henry, bride-elect of Roger Dew, will be complimented at a morning coffee at the home of Mrs. John Hatley at 10:30. Hostesses will be Mrs. John Hatley and Mrs. E. P. Young, Jr.

Hope Chapter 328, Order of the Eastern Star, will have an initiation and Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. Gifts will be exchanged.

Friday, December 22

Invitations have been issued to members of Jr. and Sr. Classes in High School and college students who will be the guests of Hope Country Club Friday night. Hostesses are Mrs. Sid McMath, Mrs. Geo. Newbern and Mrs. Katherine Howard.

Notice

The Rose Garden Club of Fulton is sponsoring a contest for outside Christmas lighting and decorations of the homes in Fulton. The decorations will be judged by disinterested parties on the most effective display. A prize will be awarded to the winner.

Saturday, December 23
Mrs. Louis Howard will honor Miss Dorothy Henry, bride-elect of Roger Dew, with a breakfast at the Barlow at 9 a.m.

Miss Mary Carolyn Andrews, bride-elect of Frank Gregg, will be complimented with a breakfast at the Hotel Barlow at 9. Hostesses will be Mrs. William Routon and Mrs. F. B. Ward.

Sunday, December 24
Invitations have been issued by Miss Alice Lile, Mrs. L. M. Lile, and Mrs. Robert Singleton to breakfast at the Barlow Hotel at 9 honoring Miss Mary Carolyn Andrews.

Monday, December 25
Mr. and Mrs. George Henry Black, Patmos, will celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary on Christmas day. The couple was married on December 25, 1900. Visitors are invited to call between 3 p.m. and 6.

Christmas Program Presented By Paisley Students

The Paisley PTA met Friday, December 15 at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. The Paisley students were presented in a Christmas program. The Glee Club sang Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. B. C. Hyatt.

Mrs. Denver Dickinson, president, conducted a short business session. Mrs. Edward Aslin delivered the president's message.

Miss Mamie Bell Holt won the dollar in the room count.

Miss Harper Chairman of Art Committee

Miss Sophia Sue Harper, super-

News of the Churches

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Thursday the men of the church will have their regular monthly supper meeting at the church at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. S. A. Whitlow, pastor of the First Baptist church of Hope.

Sunday, December 24:
The choir of the First Presbyterian church of Hope will present a Christmas Cantata, "The Manger of Bethlehem" by Chas. Francis Lane at 11 o'clock. All visitors are welcome.

The PYW of the First Presbyterian Church will sing Christmas carols at the homes of shut-ins on Christmas Eve night, Sunday, December 24. All members are asked to meet at the church at 6 p.m.

FIRST PENTECOSTAL

Rev. H. P. Hudspeth, Pastor

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Mid-week prayer meeting.

Friday, 7:45 p.m. Christmas program.

The church will present a Christmas program, "Why Christmas," on Friday, December 22 at 7:45 p.m. The play consists of 25 characters. There are four scenes with pantomime re-enactment of the nativity in the last scene.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

CATHOLIC

Third and Walker Streets

Father A. G. Dunleavy, Pastor

Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday are ember days. Days of fast and abstinence from flesh meat. There will be a Christmas party for the children at the Rectory Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Games were played and gifts were exchanged from the beautifully decorated tree.

Ten members and one guest were served individual cakes decorated with the Christmas motif and coffee and cakes. Each member was presented a lovely Christmas corsage.

Service Class Has Party

The Servie Class of the First Christian Church had their annual Christmas banquet at the Barlow Hotel on December 19 at 7:30 p.m. Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season.

The program with the theme of Christmas was conducted by Mrs. Eva Reyneron. One of its highlights was a song by Ted Jones accompanied by Mrs. Reyneron.

Interesting talks were given by Frank Rider, teacher of the class; Mrs. Floyd Portfield, assistant teacher, Mrs. Gladie Morris and Rev. Hardagree.

The 26 members present sang Christmas carols at the close of the meeting.

Announcement

The announcement has been made of the marriage of Mrs. Marlon Buchanan to Richard P. Treadaway of Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Treadaway are residing temporarily at 1514 South Main St.

Coming and Going

Bill Houston, Culver Military Academy, Culver, Indiana is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Houston.

Miss Adolphine Andrews, Miss Peggy Pentecost and Buddy Sutton, all of the University of Arkansas, will arrive today to spend the holidays in Hope.

HOPE GOSPEL TABERNACLE

Paul Holdridge, Pastor

Thursday:

Annual Christmas program beginning at 8 p.m. "Star and Desert Sand." A Christmas Cantata.

Pageant will be given. There will be no Wednesday night services.

UNITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST

South Elm Street

Elder Howard White, Pastor

Wednesday:

7 p.m. Teachers meeting.

7:45 p.m. Prayer meeting.

Friday, 7:30 p.m. Study course.

FIRST BAPTIST

Rev. S. A. Whitlow, Pastor

Wednesday, December 20

WYD of the First Baptist Church will meet at 6:15. Each member is asked to bring a gift for some needy family.

with honors from the supply course at the Quartermaster School in Darmstadt, Germany.

Ellis entered the service in 1942 and is now assigned to the First Medical Battalion in Regensburg, Germany.

Hospital Notes

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Admitted: Sam Smith.

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Admitted: Mrs. Milton Eason, Hope; Mr. Ellis Lee, Canfield.

Discharged: Mrs. Minnie G. Hines, Hope.

Julia Chester

Admitted: Mrs. Horace Bumpus, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Grant, Hope, announce the arrival of a daughter, Nancy Jewell.

Mr. and Mrs. Denver Daugherty of Hope announce the arrival of a son, Dec. 18.

Conway Approves Bonds to Build Public Hospital

Conway, Dec. 20 — Conway voters have approved a bond issue for a new hospital and the tax levy which goes with it.

They voted, 436 to 207, at a special election yesterday to issue bonds of \$195,000. Vote for a five-mill levy to retire the bonds was 429 to 212.

Federal funds will be sought to aid in financing the proposed \$385,000 plant.



Believe It or Not! This Is Thrift Week!

New York, Dec. 19 — (AP) — This is National Thrift Week. It is also a week in which:

1. The government is shaping plans to spend \$70 billion a year for defense, while worrying over how much of kick that's going to add to inflation, thereby lowering the purchasing power of the dollar.

2. The treasury reports that for the first full year since series E savings bonds went on sale in 1941, people are cashing in more old ones than they are buying new ones.

3. The federal reserve board chairman reports that "last year about one American family in three spent more than their income."

4. A number of discouraged Americans are asking: "The way things are going, is it worthwhile anymore to save?"

On the involuntary side, government agencies have been discouraging spending and going into debt by a series of curbs on mortgages and on installment buying, which is October (the last month available) was reported at a record \$3.3 billion.

There is a certain irony in the fact that savings bonds, bought under patriotic urging in the last war, are being cashed in to the embarrassment of a treasury preparing for the threat of another war.

So far this year, the treasury has had to redeem nearly \$3.4 billion of series E bonds, or \$78 million more than it has sold in 1950. Next year \$1.1 billion will be 10 years old and ready to be redeemed. There will be outstanding \$33.4 billion more which could be presented to the treasury.

Dr. Herman B. Wells, president of Indiana university, and chairman of the national thrift committee, warns: "If these savings are to be spent in a market that is already short on the supply side, the bidding up of prices will assume major proportions."

The public has other billions in

increased. The potato crop totalled 1863,000 bushels against 2,080,000 bushels last year, and the sweet potato crop 1183,000 bushels against 1,302,000. Pecan production was placed at 3,285,000 pounds this year compared to 4,900,000 last year.

Production of potatoes, sweet potatoes and pecans in Arkansas de-

creased.

Chief Buddy Stringer said officers followed the youths when they were driving in a suspicious manner on the back streets of Stuttgart early today.

Chief Stringer said they were

picked up when a freight train blocked their flight from the police patrol car.

purchasing power. It could turn loose. Henry H. Heimann, executive manager of the National Association of credit men, fears the effect of the planned federal controls. He says: "With billions of dollars accumulated in the hands of the consuming public, any controls or regulations limiting civilian production and buying will merely defer inflation or cause a wild scramble for the limited supply of goods."

Treasury Secretary Snyder plugs steadily for "voluntary" industry savings. The treasury is warming up a drive to induce people to buy more savings bonds and to hold onto their old ones — probably by offering to continue paying interest on bonds held after the redemption date.

Voluntary savings include more than just buying government bonds, of course. Some people are putting their money into corporate securities; some into real estate; some into insurance sales; banks accounts and savings institutions.

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It is hard to say what we are on the brink of. In world war, we must be prepared to protect civilian lives and to produce goods needed for the war.

The governor also has a civil defense board under civilian control, which was forced from the state by the Municipal Judge M. L. Moore yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Mae Moore, president of the children recently taken into custody of them by a court. She brought them to visit their father, Herman.

Mrs. Beulah Moore, Basil Beck Rothel, also arrested but Judge Eliot dismissed charges against him.

Carol three and Bill two, their custodian Mrs. Mae Moore, Decatur III, here Sunday, attended at a police road block to arrest City Ark. They were released here and held to the grand jury.

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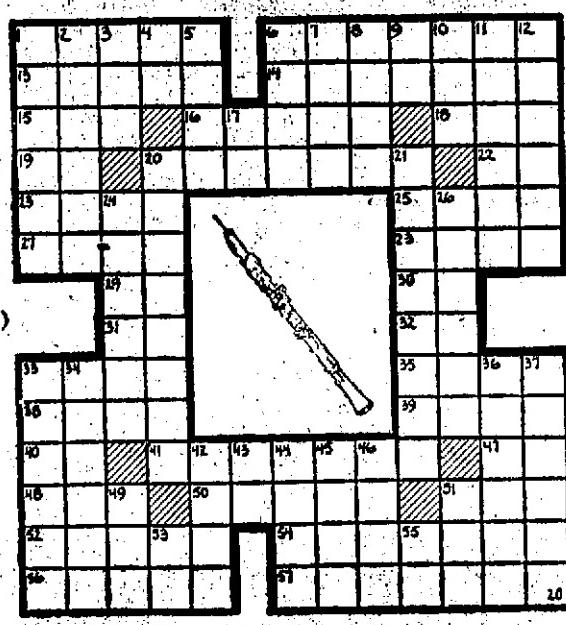
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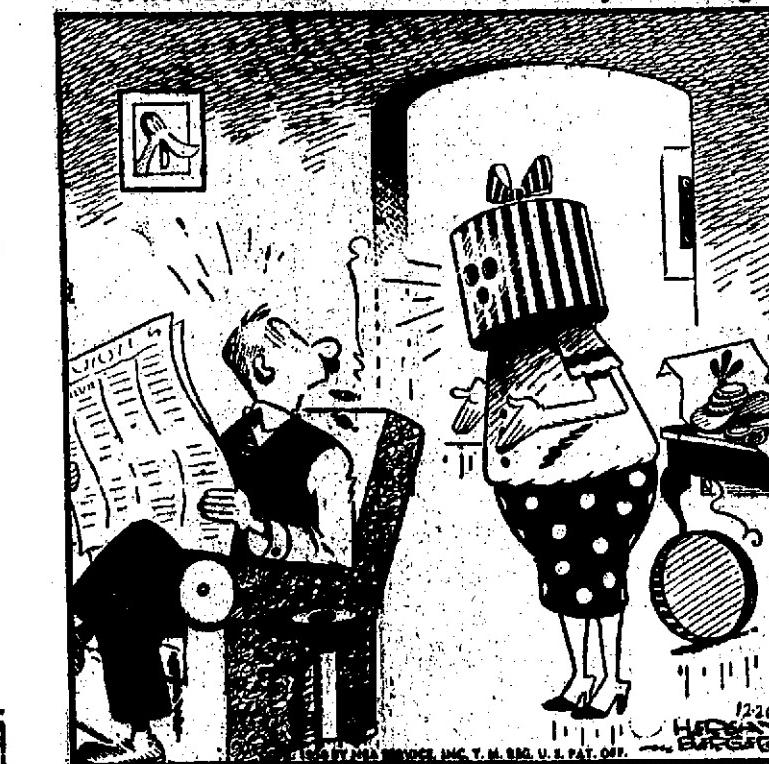
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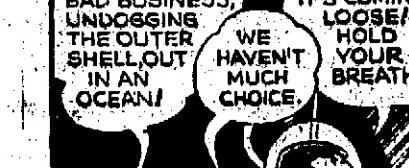


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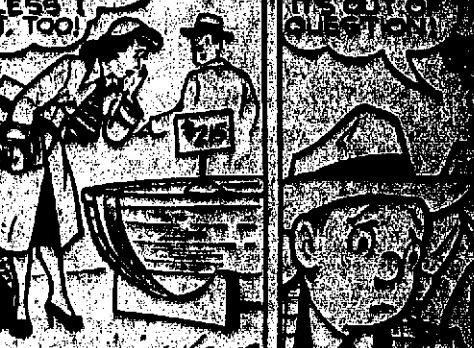
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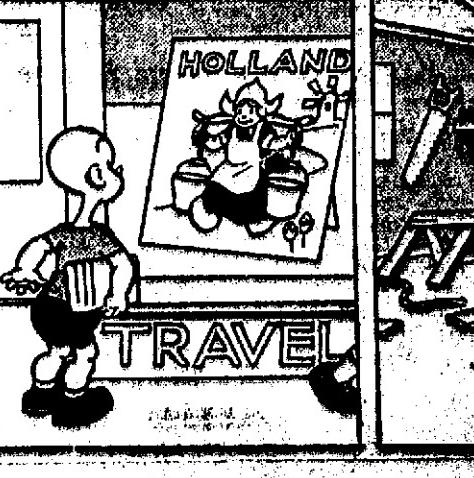


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Holiday Leave for Europe Jan.

Dec. 19.—(P)—Gen. D. Eisenhower said today he will leave for Europe in the first of the year to lay groundwork for his new job as commander of an international force.

He said he would take with him Gen. Alvin M. Gruenther, chief of plans and operations of the U.S. Army, who will be Eisenhower's chief of staff in his new command.

Eisenhower made his plans to reporters at a special conference here. He stopped this en route to Denver where he is to spend the Christmas holidays.

The general was in a serious mood when he talked to the newspaper. A photographer asked him to smile for a picture. He refused, saying, "I don't see much to smile about in these times."

"International peace," he said, "is one important problem of ours." He stressed that the task of the international forces is to maintain peace.

If there is no hope for peace

it can be maintained. Eisenhower said:

"Well, of course, I'm hopeful. But it's not going to be easy and it's not going to be quick."

This is a new and very great responsibility for the United States which should be a period of study, searching and sacrifice,"

Eisenhower said: "The big word in our lives should be duty for all

Eisenhower explained that he is being granted a leave of absence from Columbia University, of which he is president.

He said he would go to Washington for consultations before leaving for Europe around Jan. 1. In Europe, he added, he would see as many officials as possible in an effort to determine whether they have a common understanding of the problems ahead.

"Only in unity can we be certain of preserving the ideals the principles we want to live with," he said.

11-Year-Old Doesn't Know Family's Dead

Dec. 19.—(P)—Tommy Elbert is going to have a wonderful Christmas before he hears about the greatest tragedy of his life—the plucky 11-year-old is recovering in Mercy hospital from serious burns. He's kept happy by all the visitors' gifts and attention he receives.

Tommy doesn't know his mother, other three sisters and grandmother burned to death in the fire that sent him to the hospital.

He thinks they do not visit him because they have no way of getting the 11 miles into town from his house which no longer exists.

Tommy and his father, William Elbert, 38, are the only survivors of the fire. The father in another ward of the hospital said:

"Tommy's not to know about the others until after Christmas."

Letters and telegrams from well-wishers and offers of aid are pouring in from folks who read Tommy's story in newspapers or heard it on the radio.

Tommy asked for a toy train for Christmas. The Lionel company is providing one.

A fund has been established to

PREScott NEWS

Wednesday, Dec. 20

A mid-week meeting will be held at the First Christian Church Wednesday evening at 7:30. Discussion topic, "This Jesus Whom you Crucified."

A Bible study and singing will be held at the church of Christ Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Thursday, December 21.

The Ladies Bible class of the Church of Christ will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. H. H. McKenzie and Mrs. D. L. McRae Jr. will have the Cravens-Bemis rehearsal dinner on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the Lawson Hotel.

Friday, December 22.

The Cravens-Bemis wedding will be solemnized Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the First Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow in the Bemis home.

Mrs. C. D. McSwain and Mrs. J. H. Bemis will entertain with a bridesmaids luncheon for Miss Kait Sparks Bemis in the home of Mrs. McSwain at 12 noon.

Saturday, December 23.

The Presbyterian Church School Christmas tree and program and visit from Santa Claus will be Saturday night at 7 o'clock in the men's Fellowship Room. Each department will sing a Christmas number and two sound films will be shown: "A Christmas Dream" and "Christmas Rhapsody." The Youth Fellowship will decorate the tree on Saturday.

Rev. Wagner Is Speaker At P. T. A. Meeting

The monthly meeting of the PTA was held on Thursday afternoon at the Park Elementary School with the President, Mrs. D. K. Beavis presiding.

Mrs. Lucille Elgin presented a group of elementary school children who sang Christmas carols. The State President's message was given by Mrs. L. L. Buchanan.

Rev. C. E. Wagner, guest speaker, gave an interesting talk on "Home, Family, and Defense."

In the room count Mrs. Stone's 1st grade, Mrs. Johnson's and Mrs. Elgin's grade at the Park School, Mrs. Gann's 7th grade and Miss Loomis's Sophomores were the winners.

Mrs. Robey Entertains '47 Bridge Club

Mrs. Jack Robey entertained members of the '47 Bridge Club on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bob Reynolds.

There were two tables of players with Mrs. Ned Duncan winning the high score prize and Mrs. Duddy Douce the traveling prize.

Kappa Gamma Has Christmas Party

The home of Mrs. Charlie Thomas was the scene of the annual Christmas party of the Upsilon chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma on Thursday evening. Mrs. E. L. Ross and Mrs. Floyd Hubbard were assistant hostesses.

Christmas Carols were sung and games were played. A gift exchange was also enjoyed.

The hostess served a delicious salad and dessert course to the twelve members present.

Miss Avery Marries Everett Orren In Home Ceremony

Miss Mary Agnes Avery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Drury D. Avery, became the bride of Philes Everett Orren in a ceremony performed at 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the home of the bride's parents. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philes Orren.

In the presence of the immediate families, the Rev. W. R. Burks officiated before a background of greenery, floor baskets of white chrysanthemums and gladioli and candelabra holding tapers which were lighted by Charles Avery, brother of the bride.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dark green gabardine suit with brown accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Miss Billie Fal Cox, maid of honor, wore a plum suit with black accessories and a pink carnation corsage.

Billy Mac Gang served as best man.

A reception was held following the ceremony. The bride's table was covered with a lace cloth and centered with a green potted plant. Mrs. Philes Orren presided at the punch bowl. Individual white cakes embossed with white roses were served by Mrs. George Cavanaugh.

After a wedding trip to Hot Springs the couple are at home in Prescott.

Center Home Demonstration Club has Dinner

The Center Home Demonstration Club enjoyed their Annual Christmas dinner Saturday, December 16 at Center Club House. Forty-five people gathered to enjoy the lovely dinner.

Three large tables were decorated

take care of monetary gifts. Pennsylvania railroad workers in this bustling railroad town are passing the hat. One youngster sent Tommy a Christmas card with a nickel and three pennies enclosed.

A drug manufacturer offered to provide the hospital with free medicine for Tommy.

"Gee whiz," the youngster told a nurse. "I've got so many friends."

His father a truck driver said: "I never knew people could be so wonderful. How can I ever express my gratitude?"

5 Violent Deaths in Arkansas

By The Associated Press

Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Hines and son Johnny are spending the holidays in Hemet, California with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Landers. They were accompanied by Doc Cunningham.

R. P. Hamby has returned from Dallas where he visited his daughter, Mrs. John L. Wathen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stovall of Culver, Indiana have arrived to spend the holidays with their parents and have as their guest, Mrs. Humma Shiplock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gray Jr., and children, John and Sylvia sailed from New York aboard the Queen Mary on December 16 and will visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith of Corby, Northamptonshire. This is Mrs. Gray's first trip back to England since she came to America in 1946.

Charles Avery, student at the Univ. of Ark. Medical School in Little Rock is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Avery.

Miss Tanna Murry, Dr. and Mrs. Ramsey Nelson, and Miss Mary Lou Brown attended the Westbrook Stocks wedding in Waldo Sunday morning in the First Baptist Church.

Miss Rita McCaskill, who attends Southwestern College in Memphis,

will arrive today for a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guss McCaskill.

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Frustrated police have long meant "courtesy".

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Soldier Killed in Grade Crossing Crash at Gastonia

Gastonia, N. C., Dec. 19.—(P)—

A Camp Lee, Va., soldier was killed, his wife critically injured and their two children hurt today when their car and a Southern Railway passenger train collided at Arlington crossing, two miles west of Gastonia.

Staff Sergeant Charles W. Jeeter died at a hospital about four hours after the accident which interrupted their Christmas trip to the Rosston, Ark., home of Mrs. Jeeter's parents.

Mrs. Jeeter suffered multiple injuries. Their son, Charles W. Jeeter, Jr., 3, received a broken nose and their daughter, Gloria, 6, was only slightly injured in the hospital reported.

199 Casualties Being Treated at Spa Hospital

Hot Springs, Dec. 19.—(UP)—

The number of Korean war casualties under treatment at the Army and Navy General hospitals here mounted to 199 today with the arrival of four wounded soldiers.

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WHEN we compare the conditions of nations and people in anti-capitalistic countries with the security, prosperity, happiness and well-being of our people under United States capitalism, we appreciate our privilege of living in a capitalistic, democratic country.

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The following facts give us a deep appreciation of what capitalism has done and is doing for our country and its people.

Private capital in the form of taxes and purchases of United States Government Bonds made it possible for us to spend three hundred thirty billion dollars in carrying out our part of the program in winning World War II. This, of course, is unimportant when we consider the loss of life and permanent and partial disability which our youth sustained and which cannot be measured in dollars.

Our participation in World War II has left us today with a national debt of two hundred fifty-seven billion dollars, but on the credit side we find that our annual national income, at the current rate, is equal to 90% of our total national debt. Of this total national debt, thirty-nine billion dollars are in treasury obligations owned by Government agencies, so our net debt is slightly over two hundred eighteen billion dollars.

The United States free enterprise business system is operating at its highest level, furnishing employment to sixty-two million people at the highest hourly and weekly earnings ever recorded. Stockholders and corporations, after paying the highest peacetime taxes in the post-war years, have had the highest net average earnings in history from their investment.

Our farmers had cash income from marketing last year amounting to twenty-seven billion five hundred million dollars, the highest on record.

Total farm assets of our country amount to slightly more than one hundred twenty-seven billion dollars, against which there is an indebtedness of only twelve billion four hundred million dollars. Thus our farmers have ownership equity of over 90 per cent in their farms.

In non-farm homes, counting apartment buildings with four or less families, and all valued at a total of two hundred billion dollars, our home owners have an equity of one hundred fifty-eight billion dollars—a substantial ownership of 79 per cent.

Therefore, as a result of the opportunity provided by our free-enterprise capitalistic system, the people of our nation have a free and clear ownership in their homes and farms of 83.4 per cent.

Our people have savings of more than one hundred thirty-six billion dollars in government bonds and savings accounts.

An additional ninety-seven billion dollars are on deposit in commercial bank accounts.

Our men and women have a cash investment of sixty billion dollars in life insurance policies.

Under this system our people as a whole are happy and united, are increasing their capital and enjoying a fuller spiritual, cultural and material life.

Today our scientific and industrial knowledge and experience in the various fields of peaceful activity are open to the rest of the world, and in this respect we have joined with other like-minded nations in contributing to the technical assistance program of the United Nations.

No nation, no individual, no venture, no private or public institution, no program for the welfare of people can progress without capital.

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